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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT 3, SOURCE AND BYPRODUCT MATERIALS LICENSE
SUA-1601, ROSS ISR PROJECT, CROOK COUNTY, WY
ANNUAL SURETY UPDATE (TAC J00738)

Dear Mr. Griffin:

Enclosed, please find the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Staff's "*Safety Evaluation Report, License SUA-1601, Amendment 3, 2015 Financial Assurance Update, Ross ISR Project, Sweetwater County, Wyoming*" and License SUA-1601, Amendment 3.

By letter dated January 14, 2015 (NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession number ML15036A062), Strata Energy, Inc. (Strata) submitted to the NRC a request to review the annual financial assurance amount update for the Ross ISR Facility and revise the surety estimate by letters dated March 23, 2015 (ML15089A024) and April 28, 2015 (ML15146A020).

The annual update is to cover costs should decommissioning and reclamation be needed for activities conducted during 2015. The activities include construction of the processing plant and ancillary equipment (the plant collects uranium on resins and does not include the elution, two deep disposal wells, and Mine Unit 1). Staff has completed its review of the surety calculations and has approved the amount of \$6,397,000 to cover a third party cost for reclamation of the facility. Staff documents the justification for its actions in the attached Safety Evaluation Report (Enclosure 1). Amendment 3 to Source and Byproduct Materials License is attached as Enclosure 2.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

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If you have any questions regarding this action, please contact Mr. John Saxton, the Project Manager for Source and Byproduct Materials License SUA-1601, at 301-415-0697 or, by e-mail, at john.saxton@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Andrew Persinko, Deputy Director
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Docket No.: 040-09091
License No.: SUA-1601

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